

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT:	Vasselin G. Manev	EXAMINER:	Martin, Angela J.
SERIAL NO.:	10/675,552	GROUP ART UNIT:	1745
FILED:	September 30, 2003	ATTY DOCK. NO.:	60,726-022
FOR:	Method of preparation of positive electrode material		

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mailstop Amendment – Fee

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement presented in the Office Action dated August 30, 2006, Applicant elects Species I, claims 1 through 15, without traverse. Claims 1 through 15 are drawn to a method for preparing a positive electrode material for use in a cell of a lithium, lithium-ion or lithium-ion polymer battery, the method comprising subjecting a lithiated transition metal oxide positive electrode material having one or more water-containing compounds therein to a treatment prior to preparing said cell to convert at least a portion of the water-containing compounds to one or more water-free compounds. Applicant believes that no additional fees are required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 08-2789 in the name of Howard & Howard Attorneys for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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